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—Mrs. A. Frenzoll is quite ill.
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—Dixon Lodge, I. O. O. F., meets to-night.
—The South Side school board meets tonight.
—Albert Hatch went to Chicago this morning.
—Dixon Camp, Sons of Veterans, meets tonight.
—A. C. Warner came home last night from Chicago.
—R. W. Thompson goes to Chicago tonight on business.
—Dr. Gloselvie and family are here from Prophetstown.
—Dixon Hive 108, Ladies of the Macabees, meets tonight.
—The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cupp is ill.
—Gus Ottenger came down from Freeport this afternoon.
—Deputy M. J. McGowan drove to the south part of the county today.
—Miss Mountz is at Mrs. Carrie Swigart's home in Palmyra this week.
—There is a new girl baby at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Fagan.
—Circuit court for Ogle county convenes the fourth Monday in this month.

—There will be an election of school directors in the Bend on Saturday, April 16.

—John H. Howell has started a 10 cent hack line at his stable on East First street.

—Mrs. T. M. Mason is in Galesburg visiting relatives and friends for a couple of weeks.

—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Petersberger and children came home last night from Chicago.

—Frank Schmucker is patriotic. He drove to Nelson this chilly day to deposit his vote.

—Mrs. Wm. P. Lister of 309 Depot avenue, is visiting relatives and friends in Clinton, Iowa.

—Misses Lottie and Edna Carpenter are home from school duties at Elgin for a week's visit.

—Hon. W. I. Guffin of Pawpaw has gone to Washington, D. C., to hear the war news first hand.

—The father of our citizen, Watson Wolf, died yesterday at Fulton and will be buried tomorrow at Walnut.

—The thermometer went down to twenty-three last night. It is lucky that buds are no further advanced than they are.

—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Coffey are moving today from Hennepin avenue to Dement avenue, northeast corner of Third street.

—Loveland & Stiteley have given to Jesse Weststead the contract to erect a new dwelling for them on Seventh street near Madison avenue.

—Mrs. Ingraham of East McKenney street, North Dixon, entertained yesterday Mrs. S. Eastwood, Mrs. Howard Johnson, Mrs. Carrie Swigart, and Miss Mountz for dinner.

—The working force at Mrs. S. A. Longdon's millinery store has been augmented by the arrival of Miss McNulty of Wisconsin who learned the business of Mrs. Longdon.

—The regular meeting of the North Dixon Educational Association will be held at the school house Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The cards of invitation were out this morning.

—A Boston man is still taking daguerreotypes and has been doing so over half a century. He insists that in spite of all modern processes in photography they remain the most correct likenesses ever produced.—Philadelphia Press.

—Warren Beckwith, who married Robert T. Lincoln's daughter, wants to play with the Ottumwa Club, of the Western Association this season. He has been reserved by Dallas, but believes he can get away. The Lincoln family hoped to keep him off the diamond, but Beckwith is an enthusiast.

—Geo. D. Fletcher has men at work in J. H. Morris & Son's grocery store on the shelving, the capacity of which is being increased, extended to the ceiling and with the assistance of two of Fletcher's improved ball-bearing trolley ladders, goods can be handled with quickness and shown to advantage.

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VERY LATEST.

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VESSELS SENT TO HAVANA TO BRING HOME GENERAL LEE AND THE CONSULAR OFFICERS.

Great Britain Will Not Join the European Powers in an Offer of Mediation.

Special to THE TELEGRAPH.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 5.—The Government is sending vessels to Havana to take away General Lee and our Consular officers with all other Americans desiring to leave Cuba. Dispatches from Lee say that if war is declared, he will not be able to get all Americans out of Cuba before Sunday. The cabinet is in session and carefully reviewing the forthcoming message of President McKinley, which may not go to Congress before Thursday.

LONDON, April 5.—Great Britain refuses to participate in the movement of the Powers for a joint offer of mediation between Spain and the United States.

AWAITING DEVELOPMENTS.

President's Message Expected Tomorrow—Nothing New from Cuba.

Special to THE TELEGRAPH.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The Pope's interventions in the Spanish trouble were mostly rumors. The President is not justly identified with the matter. There is much exciting talk about the tenor of McKinley's anticipated Cuban message tomorrow. It is all guess work, however. Many hostile war speeches were delivered today in Congress. The people are quietly waiting for tomorrow's developments. There is no change in the situation this evening. Dispatches from Consul General Lee indicates nothing additional from Cuba. B. F. SHAW.

Prohibition Lectures and Song.

O. W. Stewart, chairman of the Prohibition State Executive Committee, accompanied by the Meneley Trio, two ladies and a gentleman, celebrated temperance songsters, will give two addresses in our city, Thursday and Friday evenings of this week, at the Christian church First street. The lectures and concerts will be free, and all are invited, whether in sympathy with the views of the speaker or not. Mr. Stewart is an able and interesting talker, who uses no abusive language against those who differ with him, even those engaged in a traffic which he is endeavoring to help destroy. He may be right or wrong in his methods; he may be correct or otherwise in some of his statements (of that there has been some difference of opinion expressed in the columns of this paper); but at least he is an interesting speaker and his remarks are provocative of thought; and thoughtful activities are what are most needed along all lines of moral effort. Go and hear Mr. Stewart and his singers Thursday and Friday evenings.

Circuit Court Cases.

On Monday next circuit court will begin in Lee county with Judge James S. Baume presiding. On the docket there are eleven criminal cases, with the Wenker case the most important. There are one hundred and five common law cases, the most important being that against the C. & N. W. R. R. Co. for damages by the A. U. Thomas estate. There are ninety chancery cases and nineteen of these for divorces.

The Election.

There is a very small vote being polled today and the strangest of all is that the hard roads question is being slighted by the voters.

—Died March 30, 1898, of diphtheria, at their home at Egypt, Miss, Luella, daughter of Addison and Alice Missman, formerly of South Dixon, aged 3 years, 11 months and 16 days.



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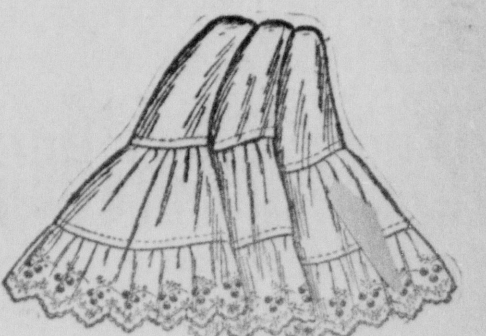
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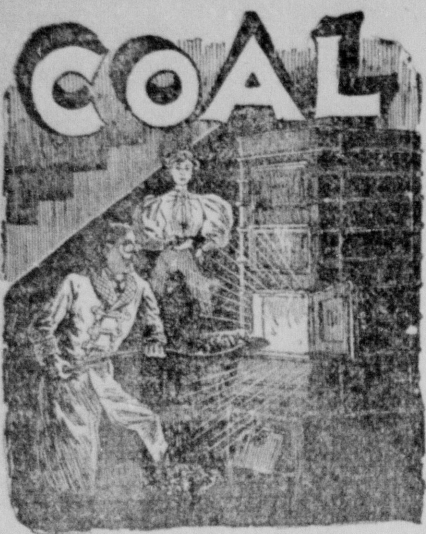


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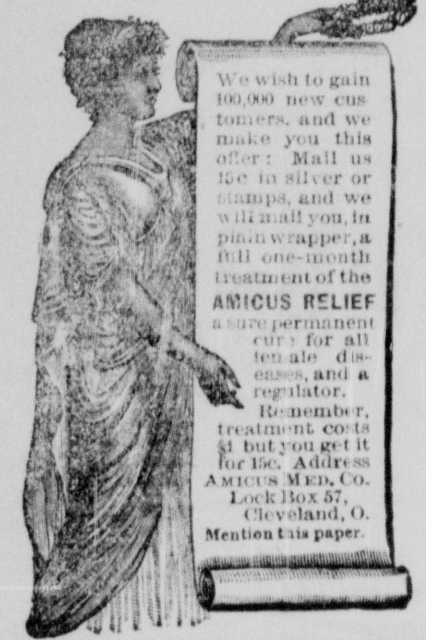
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PRESIDENT IS READY.

Has His Message Completed and Will Send It in to Congress Tomorrow.

NO PAPERS WILL ACCOMPANY IT.

Member of the Cabinet Says That Congress Will Be Thoroughly in Accord with the Document.

Europe Proposes Mediation That Will Be Given the Cold Shoulder by This Government, Which Thinks It Should Be Devoted Entirely to Spain—Congress Determined to Act Tomorrow Whether the President Is Ready or No—Perkins of California Openly Charges the Maine Tragedy on Spain.

Washington, April 5.—The Washington Post says that unless Spain, within forty-eight hours, yields all by surrendering Cuba, war cannot be averted.

Washington, April 5.—The president has completed his Cuban message, and it will be presented to congress tomorrow. Secretary Long, after the special cabinet meeting last night, authorized the Associated Press to make this statement. The message, which in itself is long, will not be accompanied by the consular reports dealing with the state of affairs in Cuba. These will go to the committee on foreign relations of the senate for its private information, and will not be made public just now. The diplomatic correspondence between the United States and Spain will not be submitted at present.

Every Secretary Was Present.
The cabinet meeting lasted from 8 until 11, and was devoted entirely to the careful reading and discussion of the president's draft of his message. Every member of the cabinet was present. The document was gone over point by point and met with the approval of the cabinet in every material respect. The only changes made were in a few points of verbiage. When the meeting was over and the members dispersed there was a general air of relief and satisfaction on all faces, as though the air had been cleared of doubt, and the members—firmly resolved on what they deemed the proper course of action—had set out to follow the course to its logical conclusion. The suspense evidently was over.

Message Will Suit Congress.
Secretary Long apparently had been deputed as spokesman for the meeting and gave the above brief statement. As to the character of the message he refused to speak. It was learned from other sources, however, that the message is in part a review of Spain's course in the present and previous wars in Cuba. That it will contain some definite recommendations may be inferred from the remark of one member. "While I can say nothing explicit concerning the details of the message," said he, "I may say that it is a strong, explicit statement, and one with which congress will be thoroughly in accord." It was suggested that congress was pretty thoroughly in accord with the Foraker resolution, but nothing more explicit could be obtained.

Consular Reports Discounted.
It is understood that while the consular reports on Cuba are withheld from the public for the present, out of regard for their authors who are still in Cuba, their publication is not deemed essential by the cabinet. One member in discussing this point said: "They contain only information which has by this time been quite thoroughly presented to the public from other sources." From the fact that the diplomatic correspondence is not presented with the message it is inferred that its main features are touched on in the message itself either in the form of extracts or merely in substance.

MESSAGE AND MEDIATION.
The Two Subjects That Were Dominant at Washington Yesterday.

Washington, April 5.—The two foremost branches of the Cuban question in Washington yesterday were the president's message and European mediation, which now has taken an active form in the courts of Europe, according to advices received at foreign embassies here, though no proffer has been made to the United States. Regarding the first it can be stated that it is fully expected by the administration that the message will be sent to congress tomorrow in all probability, and certainly by Thursday. Members of McKinley's cabinet and his friends in congress stated definitely yesterday that it will deal vigorously with the question, will include the Maine incident, and make definite recommendations to congress, one of which will be the recognition of independence.

As to the mediation of Europe or the pope, speaking on this point, one of the cabinet officers said: "You can say for me that all the powers of Europe and the heads of all the churches may propose mediation to Spain if they desire, but the United States will positively not listen to mediation of any kind that does not lead to the acceptance of our condition, which is independence for Cuba." Notwithstanding the many reports of European mediation they assumed their first tangible form yesterday afternoon when at least two of the foreign establishments in Washington received official information that an exchange of notes between the great powers was now in progress with a view to arriving at a basis on which they could make a joint proposal for mediation.

It is evident that the exchange has not yet been productive of a common understanding, as the ambassadors and ministers at Washington have not yet received instructions to initiate the movement. Their only information thus far is that the notes are passing by telegraph between the capitals of Europe. It had been understood that France and Austria were most active in bringing about this movement, and that Great Britain had held aloof from it, but it developed yesterday that the British government was also taking part in the exchange, and that in case of concerted

action by the powers Great Britain probably would act with the others. The general view of the diplomats is that the movement is not so much one toward reconciling the United States and Spain as it is to preserve the peace of the world by combined action.
An arrangement has been reached by which the United States and France will co-operate through their ministers at Denmark in the establishment of a public cable station on the Danish island of St. Thomas. The cable is owned by a French company, but its use has become of vital importance to the United States government, owing to the possible base of naval operations in the Leeward Islands. Secretary Long was particularly desirous of having this cable arrangement effected. As a result of conferences a dispatch was sent to the United States minister at Copenhagen asking him to secure the consent of the Danish government and at the same time the French authorities arranged to have their minister at Copenhagen exert similar influence.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN TOMORROW.

Congress Will Wait No Longer but Will Pass War Resolutions.

Washington, April 5.—"Wait for Wednesday," was the word passed about the Capitol yesterday, and a general understanding to that effect was reached. The Republicans will not initiate, and the Democrats will not try to force, any action on Cuba until tomorrow, when the president's message will be received. With that understanding the senate foreign relations committee did not report and the house foreign relations took no action yesterday. It is known that the senate committee has agreed upon a resolution, practically the Foraker resolution, declaring independence and intervention, with an amendment fixing the responsibility for the destruction of the Maine upon Spain, either by design or criminal negligence.

The house foreign affairs committee will report, if possible, a resolution in line with the president's recommendations, and it is known that efforts are being made to have the resolutions of both committees agree with the president's wishes. The conference of Republican members of the house was adjourned until 11 o'clock tomorrow by the committee in order to await the message. Both houses discussed the Cuban situation yesterday, but it was simply preliminary to the more important debate and action to be taken before the week ends.

Interesting statements are made by senators and representatives who called upon the president yesterday, and the impression gained from them was that the message will declare for independence of Cuba. With the exception of the purchase of ten steamships for use for auxiliary cruisers the day was devoid of development in the military and naval branches of the government.

WILL ACT WITHOUT MCKINLEY.

If the President Is Not Ready Tomorrow Congress Will Be.

Washington, April 5.—The leaders of the Republicans of the house and senate who have been pressing for aggressive action on the Cuban question held several informal meetings yesterday afternoon looking to the arrangement of a programme for concerted action at both ends of the Capitol in case the president is not ready to transmit his message to congress tomorrow. Senators Davis, Foraker, Cullom, and others were seen by the house Republicans, and as a result the committee appointed by the house Republicans last Wednesday postponed the meeting of the conference which was to have been held last night until Wednesday at 11 a. m. At that time, it is apparent that longer delay is to be asked, they are to proceed at both ends of the Capitol. The senate committee on foreign relations has agreed informally on its resolutions, and the Republicans of the foreign affairs committee of the house are practically united.

Both will be for armed intervention, and the blowing up of the Maine will be a feature of each. The house committee will take strong ground on the Maine affair. Both committees being ready to act tomorrow the resolutions can be brought up in both houses on that day. Speaker Reed, it is positively stated, will not attempt to block any programme that has the indorsement of a majority of the Republicans of the house, and when the conference meets tomorrow, it is said, if the president is not ready to report the committee will be able to convince the speaker beyond cavil that they are not only the majority but a large majority.

SAYS IT WAS FIRED BY SPAIN.

Perkins of California Makes a War Issue Out of the Maine.

Washington, April 5.—It was openly charged in the senate yesterday by Perkins of California, in a set speech, that Spain was responsible for the Maine disaster; that it had been brought about by Spanish machinations and Spanish treachery. The speech of Perkins was only one of four prepared addresses upon the Cuban question delivered in the senate yesterday. Clay of Georgia, while hoping for a peaceful solution of the problem the country is now facing, declared strongly in favor of independence of the Cubans, and pledged to the administration the loyal support of the south. Perkins took substantially the same ground and his vigorous treatment of the Maine disaster aroused the crowded galleries to enthusiastic applause. Mantle of Montana, while expressing confidence in the administration, maintained that the time for action must be to the end that that action must be free. Rawlins of Utah said that the president had been entirely eliminated from the president by his speech, holding that the case against Spain was already made up and that with congress resting the responsibility of declaring war. For congress to wait longer was only to invite criticism. He declared for the most vigorous action immediately. After the Cuban speeches had been delivered, the senate resumed consideration of the sundry civil bill and finished thirty-three pages before adjournment.

Washington, April 5.—While there was no attempt to force consideration for a resolution regarding the Cuban situation in the house yesterday, there was a brief outbreak in the course of which the war-like temper of the crowded galleries was so manifest that Speaker Reed threatened to clear them if it was

repeated. A bill was introduced to authorize the president to erect temporary fortifications in case of emergency upon land when the written consent of the owners was obtained without awaiting the long process of legal condemnation. Bailey insisted that the house should be informed what reason there was for all this warlike preparation, and this started the Cuban eloquence that was cheered by the galleries when the speaker warned the galleries to be quiet. "Those galleries," said Bailey, waving his hands about the thronged galleries, "are but a miniature of the American people. If congress could face the galleries to the people they would force this house to action."
The speaker then sternly warned the galleries that if the demonstration was again repeated he would order them cleared.

"Oh, I think that would hardly be fair," interposed Steele of Indiana. "The gentleman is all talking to the galleries." [Laughter.]
"It is better," retorted Bailey, "to speak to the listening galleries than to the deaf ear of the majority."
The day was devoted to District of Columbia business after this incident.

MITCHELL WOULD GO TO WAR.

The Wisconsin Senator Relieves the Maine Affair Casus Belli.

Washington, April 5.—Senator Mitchell, of Wisconsin, who is one of the most conservative men in the senate, and has never advocated intervention in any way until since the receipt of the report on the Maine disaster, received a letter yesterday from Paul D. Carpenter, of Milwaukee, Wis., a son of the late Senator Matt Carpenter, in which an argument for peace is made and in which the report of the Spanish court of inquiry is cited as grounds for not accepting as conclusive the finding of our own court that the Maine was destroyed by an external explosion.

To this letter Senator Mitchell replied as follows: "Your favor of the 2d inst. at hand. I have never favored armed interference in Cuban affairs. I did not feel that we were bound to redress the wrongs of Cuba by resorting to war. But the Maine episode will not down. Over-refinement of argument is useless. It stands before the American people a plain case of treachery. Perfidy and cruelty run in the Spanish blood. There is little else in its history. Any nation that would permit such an outrage to go unpunished would not deserve to exist."

"There are some things worse than war. There are some things better than money."

Paris Will Go on the Record.

Washington, April 5.—The crisis in the Spanish situation has placed one member of congress where he was forced to choose between personal interests and his duty to himself and his district. Tomorrow the convention to nominate for congress in the district represented by George W. Paris, of Terre Haute, Ind., meets. Paris expected to attend, as he has strong opposition, but when it was announced that the president would send his Cuban message to congress tomorrow and that body probably would act immediately, he decided his duty was here paramount to his interests at home.

Opposed to the Pope Interfering.

New York, April 5.—At a meeting of the New York Baptist ministers' conference yesterday a resolution was unanimously adopted which after citing the reported mediation of the pope in the Spanish situation, continues: "We desire to utter our emphatic protest against any present or future recognition of the pope by our government. We regard such recognition as in direct violation of the principle of separation between the church and the state which has been thoughtfully adopted by us."

War Boom at Havana.

Havana, April 5.—There is great enthusiasm among the Spaniards here, and thousands of them are enlisting in the battalions of volunteers. The Spaniards say they prefer to fight with a great nation than with a smaller one, as they would rather "die as heroes than live as cowards." They add that Spain has always had a special providence in great conflicts, and they have confidence that Providence will not abandon Spain in her "defense of justice and her rights."

Maine's Flag Comes Down.

Havana, April 5.—Soon after sundown last night the tattered United States flag was taken from the gaff of the wrecked Maine, where it has floated since Feb. 17, two days after the explosion. It was taken down by an officer and a boat's crew from the Fern. The wrecking tugs Underwriter and Merritt and the barges Chief and Sharp for American waters yesterday. The wreck of the Maine now rears itself in the middle of the harbor alone.

Significant Denial by France.

Paris, April 5.—A semi-official denial has been issued of the report that Jules Cambon, French ambassador to the United States, had intimated to the American government that France would not intervene unless asked to do so by America. The denial is significant in view of the report that the European governments are exchanging notes.

Torpedo Boat Sails for Spain.

Queenstown, April 5.—The Spanish torpedo boat destroyer Osado sailed for Ferrol, Spain, yesterday morning. The Audaz, sister ship of the Osado, which was damaged considerably by the elements, went into dock yesterday morning.

Lew Wallace Ready to Fight.

New York, April 5.—Among the communications received yesterday at the office of the National Volunteer Reserve was one from General Lew Wallace indorsing the reserve. He has signed an enlistment blank.

What Reply Is This?

Madrid, April 5.—The reply of the United States government has been communicated to the Spanish government. Its contents have not been made public and no action has yet been taken upon it.

Oregon at Callao, Peru.

Callao, Peru, via Galveston, Tex., April 5.—The United States battleship Oregon has arrived here.

Enjoined from Wasting Gas.

Anderson, Ind., April 5.—A permanent injunction has been granted by Judge McClure enjoining the Standard Oil company from operating in this county because of wasting gas in mining oil.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and side, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying Electric Bitters; and to my great joy and surprise the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim."
No one should fail to try them. Only 50c per bottle at A. H. Tillson's Drug Store.

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Mrs. Michael Curtin, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement, that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefitted from first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles, found herself sound and well; now she does her own housework, and is as well as she ever was. Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at A. H. Tillson's Drug Store. Large bottles 50c and \$1.00.

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Death Roll Will Not Be So Large as at First Reported, Perhaps Not Over Thirty.

RIVER TOWN IS A COMPLETE WRECK

Water Has Possession, While the People Are Without Food, Clothing or Fire.

Immediate Relief Is Imperative or Starvation and Sickness Will Do Worse Work Than the Flood—Many Huddled on the Top of the Unbroken Embankment in a Terrible Rain and Wind—Heart-Breaking Scene in the Riverside Hotel—Partial List of the Dead.
Mount Vernon, Ind., April 5.—The tug Isabella, which went to the relief of the Shawneetown sufferers Sunday night, returned here at 10 o'clock yesterday morning for provisions. City Marshal L. B. Holleman returned on her and reports the situation there appalling. He said that people who have not visited the scene cannot picture in the imagination the suffering and destitution that exists there. In the Riverside hotel Sunday night there were at least 500 men, women and children huddled together, their clothing wet, and nothing with which to build fires. Women were wringing their hands and crying, searching for members of their family who were missing, and many stout hearted men were seen weeping.
Death Roll May Reach 100.
It is impossible at the present time to give a correct estimate of the loss of life, but it may reach or exceed 100. Sheriff Galloway lost his entire family. Galloway saved himself by climbing a tree, where he was subsequently rescued. He is prostrated, and fears are expressed that he may lose his mind. The levee broke above the city and the water came with such a rush as to sweep all the one-story buildings and many others before it. The area covered by the water is about one mile square, and in less than an hour the water was fifteen to twenty feet deep. The people who are caged up in the third stories of what houses remain standing need food and fuel. The water is within three feet of the top of the levee.

Refugees on the Top of the Levee.

The levee is perhaps fifteen feet wide on top, and this is crowded with men, women and children, and live stock of all descriptions. It was raining Sunday night and many people could not find shelter. The levee had been in a bad condition for several days, but no one suspected that it would break. It gave way between 5 and 6 p. m. Sunday and caught many people on the streets. Some climbed trees and were saved, while others tried to run to the hills, which are located three-quarters of a mile back from the river, but were caught by the rushing waters and drowned. M. J. Hartnett, editor of the Shawnee News, is among the missing. The work of rescuing victims from trees and house tops was carried on all night and in the morning. But few bodies have been recovered.
GREAT WANT AMONG THE VICTIMS.
Immediate Assistance in Necessaries Is Needed—List of the Dead.
Springfield, Ills., April 5.—The special train on the Chicago and Alton railroad bearing relief supplies for the sufferers at Shawneetown, left here at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Dr. F. H. Wines was in charge of the expedition, while Sergeant Batty had charge of the 200 tents, with blankets and other supplies. Governor Tanner yesterday afternoon received a telegram from H. S. Rearden, former general superintendent of the Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis railroad, which says: "I have been over the entire situation at Shawneetown. I beg to respectfully urge upon you the great importance of immediate assistance for the suffering of Shawneetown. They need food, clothing, tents, and also coffins and burial caskets. You can ship them by boat from Evansville, or Mount Vernon, Ind., or from Paducah, or by the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern to Cypress Junction, where they can be teamed down by wagons. There are about thirty people lost. No estimate can be placed upon the damage to property yet, but it will be at least \$200,000."

A dispatch from Mount Vernon, Ind., says: "The following partial list of the drowned was obtained from people who returned from Shawneetown on the tug Isabella, which reached here yesterday afternoon: Wash Callicott and family, Colonel Callicott and family, Mrs. F. Elake, Paul Rahlen and family; Sheriff Galloway's wife and four children, and two lady visitors whose names are unknown; Anna Renhold, Paul Renhold, Paul MacCallister, Mrs. McLean, Mrs. Melville Freer, William Thompson and son, Charles Clayton, Noah Welch and son, R. B. Rooper, Charles Catton and son; three prisoners in the county jail, names unknown; Miss Florence Evans; Henry King and four children, colored; Miss Cora Sherwood, Frank A. Morrison, Mrs. A. A. Hathaway, and fifty colored people.

Cypress Junction, Ills., April 5.—The latest reports say that the entire levee will be destroyed and every frame house in Shawneetown will be dashed to pieces. The wind is blowing thirty-five miles per hour, with rain that cuts like glass. Fear is felt for the rescue force now in Shawneetown, as nothing can stand the waves, which are rolling ten feet high. This is from temporary telephone station on hill just this side of Shawneetown. If the gale keeps blowing the entire town is doomed.

SCENES OF THE CATASTROPHE.

What the Rescuers Found and Heard When They Arrived.

Ridgeway, Ills., April 5.—When the relieving party reached Shawneetown yesterday it found a sad condition existing in the ill-fated town. Hundreds of those who escaped the rush of water were perched on roofs, trees, and along the top of the levee. They were taken from their dangerous positions as rapidly as possible. Owing to the scarcity

of boats the work was very slow, but over 200 persons, including many women and children, were taken to the roadway two miles from Shawneetown to Cypress Junction. Here the greater part of them are camped with very little to eat and exposed to the driving rain and piercing wind. When the levee broke David Rookendoff and his wife were in their home, directly in the path of the huge wave that swept through the broken dike. Their little son in the yard saw the wave coming and hurriedly climbed a tree.

The father and mother had time to rush upstairs when the house was swept from its foundation. They climbed on the roof as the house floated off, and there they heard their little son in the tree crying "Good bye, papa and mamma." The agonized parents were powerless to go to his assistance and in a few moments the house had been carried beyond the reach of the boy's voice. They floated from the north levee to the south levee, the distance of a mile, and were taken off in safety. The little son was subsequently rescued.

Absolutely nothing has been saved in the city. The stores and other houses are flooded to the second floors, all the streets are under water from ten to thirty feet. Relief with provisions are constantly arriving from all the neighboring towns. Mayor Carney, of Shawneetown, telegraphed to Governor or Tanner last night for 100 tents and 100 coffins. The tents arrived last evening, but could not be gotten across the backwaters of the Wabash from Cypress Junction.

At 11 o'clock last night the south levee was cracking and threatening to go at any minute. It is about sure that it will break. This will not add to the depth of the water in the town, but will create a current through the streets that will prove dangerous to rescuers in skiffs.

Provisions for Shawneetown.

Evansville, Ind., April 5.—Superintendent Martin of the Louisville and Nashville railroad will send a free car of provisions to Shawneetown from Carmi, Ills., in response to an appeal from Mayor Carney. The train will go through Ridgeway via Enfield. From Ridgeway provisions will go by boat through the back water. The mayor and Business Men's association of this city are arranging to send more provisions by boat.

Chicago Organizes Relief.

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GENERAL STRIKE OF MINERS

Looks Like Nothing Will Avert Trouble Along the Monongahela.
Pittsburg, April 5.—All indications point to a general suspension of coal mining along the Monongahela river, and by tomorrow it is expected that 10,000 diggers will be on strike. The operators have been requested by the miners to acknowledge the interstate agreement and comply with its terms. Thus far only a portion of the firms has acceded to the demands, and the others propose to fight it out with their employees and the United Mine Workers' association. Nothing short of the operators complying with the conditions of the Chicago agreement can avert a general strike, and it is probable that the river operators will experience a shut-down similar to that which the railroad operators had on their hands last summer.

Already 2,000 diggers have struck and 3,000 are expected to quit work today. Tomorrow a monster meeting is scheduled for West Elizabeth, which will be attended by about 6,000 miners, and it is almost a certainty that the strike will be made general at that time. The operators say they were not parties to the interstate agreement and do not propose to live up to its terms.

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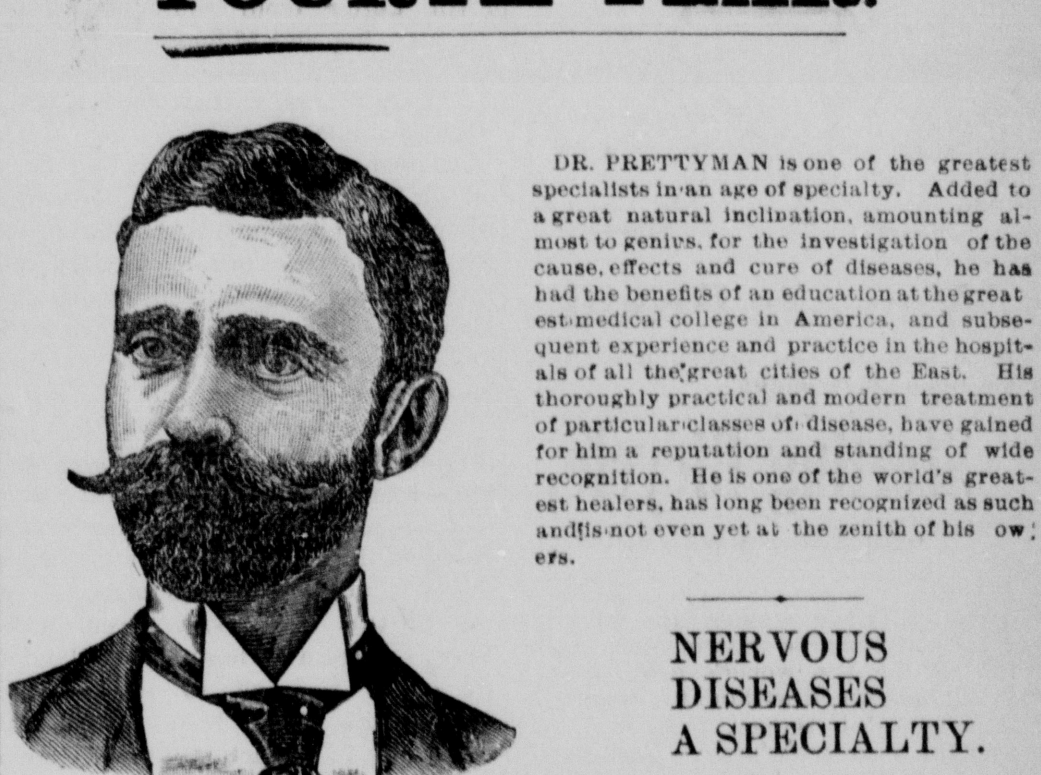
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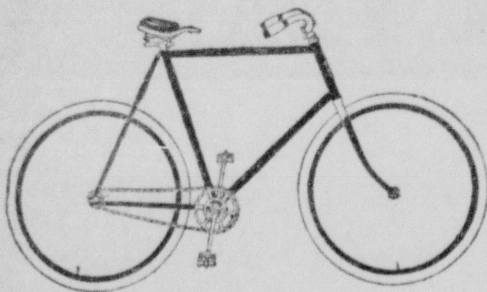
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Fifth Letter from the Alaska Mining and Milling Co.

PORT VALDES, ALASKA, March 14, 1898.
EDITOR TELEGRAPH:

At about 2 p. m., March 8, the crew on the Excelsior commenced unloading the goods and chattels belonging to the 200 or more people on board destined to Port Valdes, and on Friday about 4 p. m. she had finished her work and started on her return for another load of wealth seekers.

We were landed on ice that was formed by snow falling so rapidly and to such an amount that when it became cold enough to freeze this, slush formed from falling snow froze and an ice about 18 inches thick was formed. On top of this was about three feet of snow. From where we landed we could see off to the east a little smoke rising from among the trees and in a short time black specks appeared on the snow and in a little time they developed into men from whom we learned that the camp was where we saw the smoke and that it was a good big mile from the boat.

When our goods began to come off the real fun of an Alaska trip began in earnest. We had to take our sleds and draw our goods from where they landed on the ice and haul them back more than half a mile before they were out of danger of being floated away on the ice which was threatening to go out at any time and which did all leave the night of the 13th. Here on this road we saw everything imaginable booked in harness from a good big St. Bernard dog to lawyers and doctors—everything harnessed and drawing a sled.

Men who perhaps never really enjoyed an easy job took hold of this very hard one apparently with a relish. Just think of it! Here goes a string of sleds: the first is drawn by an ex-politician from Wisconsin; the next by a lawyer from San Francisco, assisted by a large dog; another by an ex-schoolteacher from Nebraska, followed by an ex-treasurer of Holt county, Nebraska. Oh, my friends, all kinds are here!

The vessels are unloaded with some degree of order. The mate and his crew deliver the goods on the ice with a large crane, operated by an engine. Then the names of the parties owning them are called out and they take their goods and go for dry ground. The vessel sounded for bottom near the edge of the ice; they dropped their line 70 fathoms, but found none.

About one-half mile from there we come to what is known as the "sand flats." These are low, sandy-looking rises in the surface, just high enough to be out of water in low tide and covered with water when the tide is up.

These flats in places run back to the glacier and even where the trees are, are indications that the water comes in here in the highest tides. This country is a study. The formation is the most wonderful I ever saw. To all appearances the ground on which we are camped was once covered by the glacier that now lies 7 miles back of us. There is no question but that this glacier is growing less. We have sawed off several of the largest trees here and I should think that none of them are more than 40 years old. You may wonder why I have not called the trees by name. Should I attempt such a thing I should call them the poorest kind of cotton wood that I ever saw. The wood is soft and while green will not burn. Unlike Illinois cotton wood it splits rather easily. They are straight and range from 6 inches to 18 inches in diameter. The limbs on them being very small. Many of the trees are dead and stand here without bark and as dry as can be, these we use for fire wood but at present it is necessary to go back at least a mile with our sled to skimmish for dry wood.

On the opposite side of the bay the timber is spruce, hemlock and fir. The trees are about the same size as these worthless things on this side. We expect to put our saw mill up over there. We are now building a raft to raft our mill and stuff over there. The weather in Alaska is just as much of a study as the surface. The coldest morning since we have been here they say the thermometer was 16 above zero. Don't think I have made a mistake for that is right. The snow is very deep but it is not cold. There has about three feet of snow fallen since we came. We staked our tents down on about eight

feet of snow. The snow settles fast when the sun comes out. It is but little colder on the glacier than down here except when the wind blows and then they say it is terrible. There are several ladies on their way over the glacier now with their husbands. The glacier is composed of what they call three benches and the summit. The 1st and 2nd bench I am informed can be reached easily with a sled load of goods, but the 3rd one I understand that everything must be carried up or drawn up with block and tackle. The summit or 4th has not been reached yet, but every day we are expecting to hear of them going over. There are now at least 600 people on the glacier pushing their way across.

Our camp is being deserted every day to move up on the glacier, but new ones are coming in on the incoming boats. Today, (March 15th), fifty-five came in on the "Chilcat" and we are informed that about 600 are waiting in the harbor to be landed from the "Valencia." All prospectors heresay that colors can be found in every ravine around the bay, but they have not been found in paying quantities yet. The islands in the sound seem to have the best mineral croppings in them. What there is in the interior no one knows.

The much talked of Indians are almost a delusion. There are a few, but I think they are very few. An old trader here says that when the Indians of the Copper River see the great number of whites that are coming in, they will be scared to death. He says they are timid and peaceable. Trading with them at this point has amounted to a few hundred dollars per year. There is no occasion for anyone laying big calculations on trading with Indians or catching any great game. There is some game but the, extravagant reports heard before leaving the East cannot be verified here. A lynx ran a man into the waters here a few days ago, but that is the only thing that has been seen—except a covey of about a dozen white quail that flew over us yesterday. Oh! but they were pretty! Just as white as the snow! I want to get a mess of them if I can find them when I have time to hunt.

Everybody seems to be enjoying the best of health with the exception of a cold, but we do not wonder at the colds for trudging in snow all day and then lying down on a snow bank to sleep at night would give anyone a cold. The worst we have met in the way of sickness is Oison, who caught the mumps on his way out and is just about over them now. We secure our drinking water from little streams coming from the glacier. It is pure and elegant. Barr is installed as cook and makes a good one. The indications here now are that this will be an exceedingly beautiful place in the summer time. The place of the murder of the two men here this spring, and their burial place as well as that of their murderer, has been pointed out to us.

Yours &c.,
W. C. PICKING.

Not There for His Health.

The Arizona Citizen of Tucson of April 1st, says:

A few days ago an eastern gentleman and lady, two health seekers, visited Mayor Buehman's photograph gallery. Among other things they admired "Buehman's Babies." These babies are about 500 of the Arizona product and have been artistically bunched on one card. After some little conversation between the visitors, the man turned to the honorable mayor and said, "Are all these your babies?" Buehman with his native modesty blushed a little and replied, "Yes, they are all mine." For a moment both were speechless with astonishment at this Mormon like declaration when the lady with a still more apparent blush than the mayor had been able to assume, said, "If what you say is true it is evident that you didn't come here for your health." The polite photographer excused himself and retired to the dark room to meditate.

From the Sterling Gazette.

Peter Hermes of Dixon is visiting relative here.

Mrs. David Thomas of Pawpaw is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. A. J. Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Horner came down from Dixon Saturday morning and visited friends over Sunday.

George Blair, Harry Goodman, Frank Coryell and several others rode their wheels to Dixon yesterday. They report the roads in splendid condition.

Everybody Laughed.

Davenport Republican, March 27, says:

"The warmest show of the season is on at the Burtis. The people laughed until their sides ached. At both performances they laughed, roared, howled and stamped. The first act is one of the funniest ever produced in this city. Of the many characters on the stage there's not one that does not move, and move lively; and amusingly. The matinee yesterday was largely attended and the house was filled last night. People are likely to be turned away tonight. It is "Darkest America." Dixon Opera House, Thursday night, April 7th.

WASHINGTON IS SAFE.

The Spaniards Cannot Capture the National Capital.

HER DEFENSES IMPREGNABLE.

No Repetition of the Scenes of 1814 Is Possible Now—Submarine Mines in the Potomac—The Defenses Recently Constructed—Our Preparations for War.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—[Special.]—The national capital is safe against Spanish attack. There will be no repetition of the scenes of 1814, when foreign soldiers camped in the American statehouse and gatted the residence of our presidents. Washington's best defense is in its geographical position, many miles inland. The Potomac is navigable for medium sized naval vessels, but its channel is narrow and tortuous, and no enemy will hazard his ships on a desperate voyage to attack Washington. In all probabilities they would be caught in a trap and never be able to get out. American ingenuity would find the way to destroy them before they could regain the ocean.

But Washington has other defenses. Opposite the tomb of Washington at Mount Vernon is a fort named after the first president. It is of modern construction, occupying a commanding hilltop, and its guns sweeping for many miles up and down the river. Here there are 10 inch rifles which could be depended upon to sink any vessel that came within range. There are also some 15 inch guns of the old patterns, and they are still capable of working tremendous havoc. Fort Sheridan, a short distance toward Washington from Mount Vernon, is also equipped with modern guns.

Submarine Mines.

In the Potomac, at safe distance from the Capital City, is a plant of 11 submarine mines, each torpedo containing 500 pounds of high explosives. The exact location of these mines is a well kept government secret, but it is known that they are planted in a narrow channel which the enemy's fleets would be compelled to keep in for depth of water. No Spanish warships will ever pass this plant of explosives. If they get that far, they will meet there the fate which overtook the Maine in Havana harbor.

Those mines were but recently placed in position, and what has been done here has been done at every scaport along the Atlantic coast. Both by land and sea the United States is now ready to meet the Spanish attacks. In the last two months our war and navy departments have accomplished a large part of the work which should have been attended to years ago and would have been attended to had congress given the department the money. Wonders have been accomplished in the last 30 days, or since the \$50,000,000 appropriation bill was passed by congress. Naval and military authorities tell me no other nation in the world ever achieved so much in so short a time toward getting itself in thorough readiness for war.

Recent Preparations.

A month ago, had Spain attacked us then, she would have found us ill prepared for war. Our coast defenses were not manned, and there were not enough skilled men to work the big guns. Now the guns are in place all along the coast, and the men are there trained to operate them to best advantage. Thirty days ago our naval vessels were short of powder and projectiles. Then the majority of the ships could not have fired more than two or three rounds. Now their magazines are full. Thousands of tons of ammunition have been procured, a large number of guns were bought in Europe, four ships were purchased in foreign yards and 2,000 men have been enlisted.

This is rapid progress on a big scale, but it measures only a part of what has been accomplished. A month or more ago I informed the readers of your paper of the preparations for war that had then been made. Our government has been forehanded. It has been at work for many months. It was early determined by the officials of the administration that they would not be caught napping. The greatest activity, of course, has been in the last 30 days, but if it had not been for the prudent forethought which brought our ships home from foreign stations and which hastened work on all vessels out of commission the efforts of the last month could not have been so effective.

The resources of the country have been drawn on in sweeping fashion. Not only have revenue cutters and lighthouse tenders been turned over to the navy department, for use as dispatch boats, but the government has purchased 12 fast tugs, five or six yachts and three torpedo boats. All of these are now available, and the greater part of them are today attached to one of the big fleets, either at Key West or Hampton Roads, or will be at their post within a day or two.

The Navy.

Our navy is now stronger than it ever was before. Not even in the days of the civil war did it possess so much effectiveness, though it was then composed of a greater number of ships. The only part of the world where we have ships, save within striking distance of Cuba or along our own coasts, is on the Asiatic station, where it seems only prudent to keep a fleet of reasonable power. All our ships, as I informed you weeks ago, have been withdrawn from the Mediterranean, where they were no longer needed on account of the Armenian troubles and where they might have been caught in a trap by the fleets of the enemy. The only station from which ships have not been drawn is the Asiatic, and one factor there was the great distance—some 15,000 miles of steaming.

Two vessels, one of them the great battleship Oregon, have been ordered from the Pacific station and are now on their way around Cape Horn, a voyage of about 14,500 knots. In a month we shall have along our Atlantic coast and near Cuba an array of ships which will exceed in fighting effectiveness the entire navy of two years ago. There will be four first class battleships and one second class, two armored cruisers and four monitors. The foregoing are the fighters and will be pushed to the front where the heavy work is to be done. Next in importance is the ram Katahdin, and then the triple screw Columbia and Minneapolis. There will be eight or nine vessels of the cruiser and gunboat type and perhaps ten torpedo boats. In all these will be 33 fighting ships, ten being torpedo boats. Add the auxiliary craft, fast yachts and tugs, etc., and the squadrons will present in all about 50 craft, from the giant Iowa and Oregon down to the fleet little Vesuvius and Cushing.

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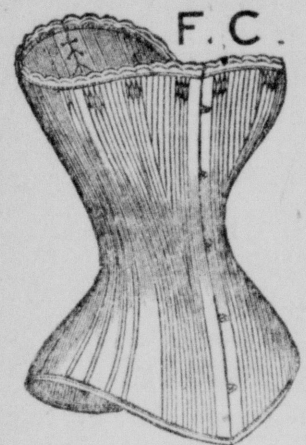
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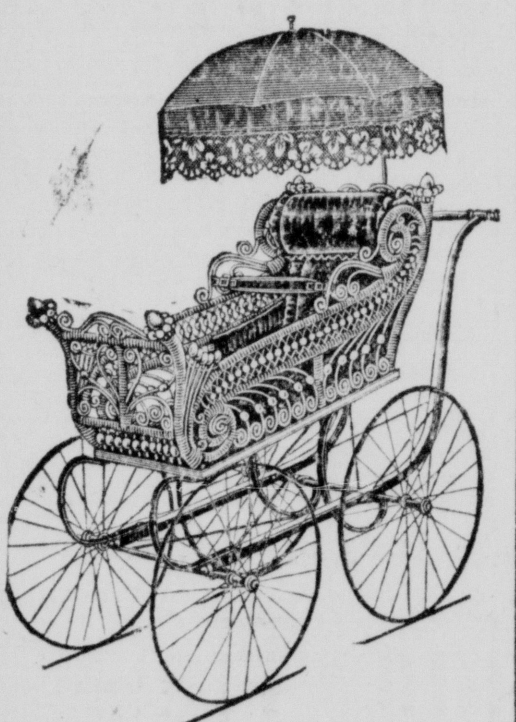
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College Notes.

A young man has requested Miss Pequinot to change her name. He says he can't pronounce it.

Prof. Strong called on the teachers' class yesterday and received a great ovation. The teachers are a congenial set and know how to appreciate a good thing when it comes their way. Call again, Professor.

The athletic association will hold a meeting in room F this evening at 7:30. Business of a particular nature will be brought before the association and hence all interested, whether members or not, are asked to be present.

The Scientifics under Prof. Heritage will meet in room B this evening for a special reading of "Pope's Essay on Man."

The law students who hold their orgies in the hallways in front of the class rooms are becoming a sort of a necessary nuisance. They would have a better standing in the affections of the neighboring teachers if they would seek some other place for their discussions.

The shorthand and typewriting classes have now assigned them one hundred nineteen hours per day on the typewriters. This amount of practice ought to keep the bearings smooth and free from rust.

Now in addition to the cards announcing the schedule of office hours, why not place a card also announcing, "this is my busy day, please make your business short?" Such notices are seen on the walls of many of the most important offices in Chicago.

His Ashes Cast Into the Sea.

It has just leaked out that the ashes of W. E. Wicker, the late contracting agent for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, were cast upon the waters of the bay at San Francisco the other day from a ferryboat. The body was cremated the day before and the ashes placed in a small jar. A friend took this jar, and, stationing himself at the stern of the boat, threw the ashes over the railing upon the water. Two years ago Wicker's wife died, and at her request her body was cremated and the husband strewed the ashes in the bay. He was then accompanied by John S. Inglis, contracting freight agent for the Union Pacific, who performed the same service for Wicker's remains. Wicker was a native of New York, aged 40, and was widely known among western railroad men.

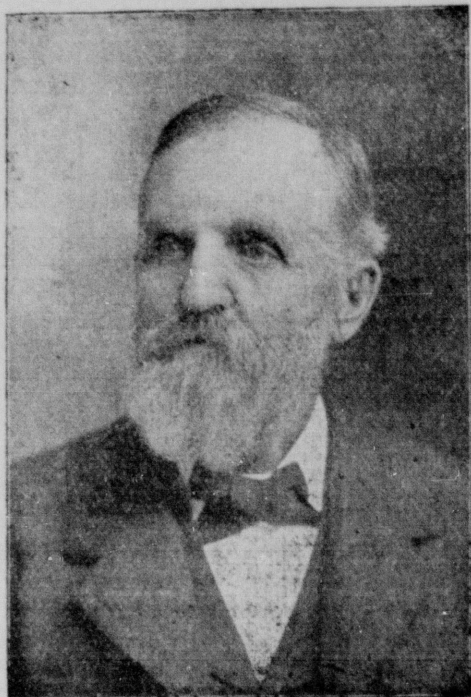
The Cost of Production of Corn and Oats.

Bulletin No. 50 of the University of Illinois Agricultural Experiment Station, which has just been published, contains the results of an investigation carried on by the department of economics on the cost of production of corn and oats in Illinois in 1896. The work was done under the direction of Prof. Kinley by N. A. Weston, then a student in the graduate school of the university. "Generally speaking, the results of the inquiry tend to prove that the average cost of production, and particularly the average cost per bushel, is much less than is commonly thought." In the case of corn, the cost per bushel as estimated by the Illinois Department of Agriculture in 1896 was 42 cents. As estimated by the United States Department of Agriculture in 1893, it was 38 cents, while the estimate reached as a result of this investigation is only 10 cents. The extremely diverse estimates of the cost of growing farm crops make any careful inquiry of widespread interest. While no year can be taken to fix a universal law, yet this careful report of actual expenditures by a large number of farmers taken at random gives without doubt the most accurate figures that have yet been made. The bulletin referred to may be had free upon application.

—Willow Creek Correspondent to Amboy Journal: What might have been a very serious accident happened one night last week to Asa Knox and Miss Olson as they were going to a party. The night was very dark and in passing over a bridge the horses were driven too near the edge completely overturning the buggy and throwing the occupants into the mud and water below. The lady was assisted to a place of safety but the horses in their struggle became so entangled that in the darkness it was found impossible to extricate them. A lantern was procured from a near by farm house and the horses in an exhausted and half drowned condition were rescued. Aside from their clothes [the people's not the horses' we presume] being completely ruined from mud and water, no particular damage was done.

—The program is out for the meeting of the Northern Illinois Teachers' Association which will be held at Rockford Friday and Saturday, April 20th and 30th. The program and other matter is gotten up in the shape of a booklet which is very elaborate, several of the principal addresses to be delivered appearing in full therein.

Hon. Amos F. Moore.



Many of the readers of the THE TELEGRAPH will recognize the excellent portrait above as that of Amos F. Moore of Polo, father of Dr. A. F. of this city, who is a candidate for nomination before the Republican convention in his district as representative in the legislature. While not in our district, THE TELEGRAPH has not a few readers in his district, and aside from feelings of personal friendship, we should be glad to see him receive the nomination, because we believe he is just the material our state needs in her legislative halls—a thoroughly practical, level-headed, broad-minded business man, a man of the people, vitally associated with their agricultural interests, and a man of unimpeachable honor and honesty. We have noticed Mr. Moore's course somewhat in his association with men, and have found that he is not only a man of positive convictions, but a man who can make his convictions tell, whose opinions, usually right, are expressed in a way to carry weight and influence. Though not a member of the legislature, it was largely through his influence that the law was passed providing for the publication of financial statements by all township officers having the handling of public funds, a law which is eminently beneficial in its effects and right in principle, for the people have a right to know just how their hard-earned money has been expended, and the fact that by law they can and will know where the taxes have gone, is a check on many a wild expenditure, not to say misappropriation. Another thing. Should Mr. Moore be sent to the legislature, such iniquitous legislation as the Yerkes bill would have one more able opponent.

A native of New Hampshire, by the death of his father he was left at an early age to "hoe his own row," while the elements of his character were being moulded aright by a faithful mother. In concluding a sketch of Mr. Moore's life, the Polo Press says: "In 1854 he came to Polo and began farming. A great lover of horses, he has become noted as a breeder of Morgan's, being a pioneer in the National Morgan Horse Breeder's Association. He has won reputation as a grower of apples, when other farmers in this section have allowed their orchards to go to ruin. He was one of the first and most successful here in spraying fruit. But his square mile farm never bounded the region of his labors. He has served his town many years as highway commissioner and as township trustee. He also represented Buffalo township on the board of supervisors and in other capacities. He was elected in 1897, and re-elected in 1898, president of the Illinois Farmers' Institute. He has been connected with agricultural societies in different capacities and is a farmer of wide experience and ability. If nominated and elected to represent in part, this district, he will carry with him to the discharge of his duties, ability and experience valuable to the people of this agricultural district."

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The pay of private and non-commissioned officers includes rations, uniforms and equipment. Commissioned officers must pay for their rations, clothing and equipment and if mounted for their horses also. They can buy rations and clothing of the government commissary at government cost price with freight added.

The daily rations are as follows: One and one-half pounds of soft bread, or flour, or one pound of hard bread, or one and a quarter pounds of corn meal at option, fifteen one hundredths of a pound of beans, or one tenth pound of hominy; one tenth pound of coffee, one seventh pound of soap, one sixth pound of salt, one-sixteenth pound of pepper one tallow candle.

—A. D. Eslander of Rockford is at the Nachusa House.

The Ways of Slanderers.

How easy a thing it is to smirch character. Like a spotless lily growing in its quiet retreat, receiving sunshine and shower is rendered unsightly by a rude touch, so is that of the character of every one. Some hands know not how to touch them but to destroy, and some tongues know not how to speak of them but to defile. These hands today offer gifts, but tomorrow they wield a dagger. These tongues may whisper peace today, but tomorrow they speak forth words of woe and despair. The breath of such people is tainted with treachery and treason. Beware of them.—Ex.

SUBURBAN SIFTINGS.

Hints and Happenances in Surrounding Towns and Villages.

SUBLETTE.

April 5.—The engine has been removed from the milk separator, and taken to the creamery building in Bradford. Hereafter, we who wish to sell milk, will have to hire it hauled to Shawville.

Mission meetings have been held in the Catholic church, the last eight days, by two missionaries or evangelists.

Andrew Lauer, aged about seventy-six years, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Stephenitsch, Monday morning, April 4. He had been in poor health some months. A few days ago, hemorrhage of the lungs set in, and soon resulted fatally. Mr. Lauer came from Germany, nearly fifty years ago, and has resided in this township ever since. If he had a fault as a man, or a neighbor, I failed to discover it, in an acquaintance of more than forty years. He will be buried from the Catholic church, on Wednesday. His wife crossed the Mystic river, twenty-one years ago.

Miss Grace Ingalls, a teacher in the public school in Ashton, and Miss Lucy Hatch, a teacher in Wyand, each spent a short meeting at home last week.

Fred Bansa got quite seriously injured in a good natured scuffle, and was confined to the house nearly two weeks. J. B. B.

SOUTH DIXON.

April 4th.—Professor Heritage and Henry Brown of Dixon and George Smith of Palmyra were among our South Dixon callers last week.

Miss Nettie Strader is learning the art of dressmaking in Dixon.

Julius Lloyd has been laid up several days with a pitchfork wound in his ankle.

Jerome Anderson's horse, Buckskin, got his legs quite badly cut in the barb wire.

George Anderson of Marshalltown, who has been so dangerously ill, is slightly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Heckman and Mr. and Mrs. H. Missman, attended the wedding of their cousin, Miss Mattie Leydig, in North Dixon on last Wednesday evening.

Eugene Heckman shot two brants and a Canada goose last week.

Mr. Jacob H. Lievan went as a delegate to the United Evangelical Conference at Stockton last week.

Rev. Rosswiler was sent to the Emanuel, Eldena, and Kingdom charge, by the Evangelical conference, and Rev. D. J. Klopp goes to Rush.

THE KINGDOM.

April 5.—Dr. and Mrs. Pankhurst of Grand Detour visited at D. J. Wetherbee's Sunday.

The boy population around the Kingdom is growing. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Spratt welcomed a little son, Saturday, April 2.

Miss Rena Alberton is home from Hillside for a two week's vacation.

Claude Harrington of Steinmann's Institute is home for vacation.

Misses Jennie and Ethel Gorton and Chas. Weisz of Palmyra visited at L. R. Floto's Sunday.

J. H. Bachman lost a valuable cow Sunday.

Mrs. Eliza Cooper of Dixon is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Will Floto.

ASHTON.

April 4, 1898.—Harriet French returned to Rockford Saturday.

Louis Pollock was a passenger to Beloit Monday evening.

Ida Knapp spent the week in Chicago visiting her brother.

Miss Ingalls is back again after spending a week's vacation at home.

Rev. A. Strickfaden and his estimable family leave Thursday morning for Barrington, Ill., not far from Elgin. We hope he will enjoy his pastorate there.

Messrs. Burch and Spears spent Tuesday evening at Franklin Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Lahman were up the last of the week.

Mrs. Arthur was down to Rochelle Monday.

Mrs. Guyer went home Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Evans is improving his residence by adding a new porch.

Friday evening at Mr. Kersten's will be held a reception for the new Evangelical minister. Mr. Suhr comes highly recommended.

The Easter services at the Presbyterian church Sunday will be held at 12 o'clock.

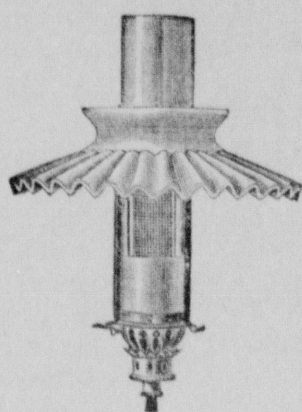
Frank Chadwick is helping Rev. A. Strickfaden and family in their moving.

Wilburn Paddock left again for Chicago Monday morning.

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Grand Italian Opera at Columbia Theatre.

The Bogetto Grand Italian Opera Company, formerly known as Del Conte's Italian Opera Company from the Grand Opera, Milan, Italy, has been contracted for by Messrs. Hayman and Davis, Columbia Theatre, Chicago, to give a season of Grand Italian Opera, consisting of seven performances, six evenings, and one matinee, beginning April 11. This organization is direct from Italy and has been singing in Mexico and on the Pacific Coast. While recently west Mr. Al. Hayman witnessed some of their performances in San Francisco and the outcome was that he contracted to bring the organization East, complete in every particular. The artists consist of many prominent singers in Italy some of whom have international reputations. Mr. Davis states that, judging from the newspaper comments made of the various principals, that they are singers of the first class. The sopranos are Linda Montanari, Cleopatra Vicini; contraltos, Olympia Calicagni, Signora Casatti; tenors, Antonio Bogetto, G. Augustino, Francisco Colenz, G. Aspland; baritones, Antonio Fumagalli and Francesconi; basses, G. Scolari, B. Giraldo and Veneziani. The chorus numbers over eighty people and it is stated they are pure Italians. The orchestra is also of Italian origin. The engagements that this Opera Company has played have been extraordinarily successful. Their repertoire includes "Lucia," "Cavallera Rusticana," and "Il Piacere." Also two new works by Puccini, "La Boheme" and "Mamma Lucia." The former opera is taken from the story of the same name by Henri Murger. There has also been a play made from this book that was only recently presented by Charles Frohman's Comedians. One of the important and vitally interesting factors of this engagement will be that the prices will not be raised; the regular Columbia Theatre scale being maintained. The arrangements of opera and the date of the advance sale of seats will be duly announced.

That Suppressed Table.

A harmless-looking table, compiled from the market reports of the Omaha World-Herald comparing the prices of farm products at the date of Bryan's nomination with those of 21 months later, seems to have created quite a panic among the silver men in Congress. The table, which has been quite widely published, shows by comparing the market reports of the World-Herald of March 10, 1898, with those of July 10, 1896, the date of the nomination, that practically all farm products had meantime advanced greatly in the face of a fall of nearly 20 per cent in silver. This table was published in the Congressional Record the other day at the request of a Southern Congressman, but when its contents and purport were discovered by the Democrats, a motion was made by Congressman Baily, the leader of the silver force in the House, to strike it from the Record, and by a claim that it was inserted without a clear understanding as to its character, he succeeded in obtaining the passage of an order that it be struck from the Record, though whether by that means he prevents its distribution under a Congressional frank is yet to be determined.

Table showing prices of farm products as quoted in Omaha World-Herald, July 10, 1896 (date of Bryan's nomination), compared with its quotations of prices March 10, 1898.

	July 10, 1896.	Mar. 10, 1898.
Bar silver (N. Y.)	67 1/2	54 1/2
Beef steers	4.15	4.90
Cows	3.00	3.90
Heifers	3.00	4.10
Calves	5.00	6.00
Bulls	2.90	3.75
Stags	2.90	4.00
Stockers and feeders	3.55	5.30
Hogs	3.15	2.85
Stock sheep	3.25	3.90
Veal	0.65	0.85
Extra short clears, salt dry	0.14	0.06
Regular do	0.14	0.04
Bellies	0.14	0.07
Lard, calumet	0.04	0.05
Cheese, young America	0.09	0.11
Native steers	0.04	0.07
Pork loins	0.05	0.06
Shoulders	0.04	0.05
Green hides, No. 1	0.04	0.07
Green hides, No. 2	0.04	0.06
Dry hides	0.09	0.14
Sheep pelts, green	0.40	0.75
Tallow	0.02	0.02
Wool, unwashed, heavy	0.07	0.15
Wool, unwashed, light	0.09	0.18
Wool, washed, medium	0.18	0.25
Wheat, tub washed	0.18	0.30
Wheat, N. Neb. and Dakota	0.53	0.82
Wheat, No. 3, by carload	0.50	0.80
Rye	0.30	0.40
Flaxseed	0.74	1.10
Flour, best patent, per 100 pounds	1.85	2.70
Flour, second best pat.	1.70	2.30
Corn (ear)	0.18	0.25
Oats (ear)	0.15	0.25
Bran, per ton	8.00	11.50
Middlings	9.00	12.50
Chop, ton	9.00	10.50
Linsed meal	17.00	23.00
Chicago markets.		
No. 2 red wheat	56 1/2	1.05
No. 2 cash corn	26 1/2	29 1/2
No. 2 white oats	18	30

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REGRET.

Time was when twilight wrapped the earth
Within its dim, enchanted haze.
She always met me at the gate
Amid the sleepy snow white daisies.
The vesper robins sang of love;
The moon smiled softly from above.

Her little hand reposed in mine;
Her head against my shoulder nestled;
Her voice was gentle as the dew
That on the vine leaves sweetly rustled.
She said whatever might betide
Her only joy was by my side.

The stars looked curious when we kissed.
The fireflies piped the jealous crickets.
The fireflies round her golden head
Flew from the misty meadow thickets.
She seemed an angel all in white,
With airy little frills betide.

But now, alas, those happy days
Have vanished like a dream of heaven.
She rides a wheel and never more
I find her waiting me at even.
In fact, we scarcely ever meet.
We only race from street to street.

In vain I plead, "Pray stay awhile
And to my tender accents listen!"
"But you must catch me first!" she cries.
With cheeks aglow and eyes aglisten,
And off she flies o'er hill and plain,
While I pursue with might and main.

The moon has no more charms for me.
I hail no more the restful shadows.
There is no balm in the sweet air
That blows up from the twilight meadows.
I scarce can tell her from a score
Of cyclers when she rides before.

O youth, too trusting and too fond,
Who wears a heart with romance laden,
Beware, I pray you, ere too late,
The glances of a cycling maiden,
For love himself away will steal,
Changing his light wings for a wheel!

—Susan Bartley in Boston Courier.

RESTED THE CASE.

The October sun struggled in dusty beams through the grimy panes, on which the flies buzzed noisily, and the dust dancing light fell over the crowded courtroom. In the witness chair sat a long, lank man, whose trousers wrinkled over his boot tops. His face was brown and lean, his sinewy hands clasped and unclasped nervously, and his keen, gray eyes rested fixedly on the face of the man who stood before him. The man in the chair was Vint Jiskins, on trial for his life; the man on the floor before him was his attorney. The witnesses for the defense had all been examined, and now the prisoner had been brought in to tell his story. The preliminary questions were done with, and the attorney spoke to his client. "Tell the story in your own way," he said.

The prisoner twisted his lean hands together and looked from the lawyer to the judge. "Go on," said the judge, not unkindly.

"I'll tell it as near right as I kin," the prisoner began. "This man Deering—"

"The murdered man," interrupted the state's attorney. The counsel for the defendant objected to the interruption, and the court told the attorney for the state to let the prisoner proceed.

"This man Deering," again commenced the prisoner, "he come down th'o' the valley when they built that there railroad two year ago. He was one of them men that lays out the way, an while he was in our part of the county he stopped at Sam Tice's. I seen him there frequent. I was sorter keepin company with Sam's girl then." The speaker stopped and looked toward one of the dusty windows.

"Go on," said his counsel encouragingly. "Can't you remember?"

"Hit ain't no trouble ter remember," the prisoner said slowly; "hit's the trouble o' fergittin. Seems like I kin remember ever' little thing. Well, Deering, he stopped at Tice's, an he was mighty soft spoken to 'em all, 'specially ter Lizzie, but nobody didn't think nothin o' that. When bad weather come in the fall, the men on the road quit work an went away. Deering with 'em. I was sorter glad when he went, fer I thought I'd see more o' Lizzie. I didn't, though, fer in less'n a week after Deering went Lizzie was gone, too, an we didn't none of us hear nothin of her till Nate Rogers brung word that he seen her in the city. Nate lowed that she were dressed fit ter kill an were smilin an happy, an he heard her called Mrs. Deering. Then Sam he got a letter from her, an after that he an her mother got letters reg'lar most all winter.

"One night in April I was over to Tice's, an we was settin there talking whenst the door open all of a sudden, an Lizzie walked in. It was a-rainin out, an she was all wet, an her hair was kinder loose an her dress was muddy.

"'W'y, Lizzie, child, where'd you come from an where's your husband?' says old Mis' Tice, an went like ter kiss her, but Lizzie sort o' sunk back in the chair she had dropped inter an begun ter cry, not loud, but jest a sort o' dry sobbin, like she hadn't no tears left. An then hit all come out, how she hadn't never been married, on'y thought she was, till Deering got full one night an told her. Then she come home.

"An, mother," she says, 'mother, I—I'm goin—goin'—' An then she clean broke down, an we seen how hit was. Old Mis' Tice air an awful good woman, powerful on churchgoan an religion an mighty up an down in her ideas, an she flared up ter onst. 'Ye good fer nothin hussy,' says she, 'air that how it is? Ye kin jest go back ter the city an yer fine man. Ye air no child of mine—ye, that we all wasn't good enough fer! An this air what ye've come ter, eh—bringin shame on ter the rest of us?' An with that she sits down straight an stiff on the other side o' the room an wouldn't say another word, not even whenst Lizzie got up an started ter go, sayin nothin but jest, 'Oh, mother!' kinder pitiful like. Old Tice he didn't dare say anythin contrary ter his wife, but I wasn't tied no sech way. I jest slipped out ter the house after Lizzie, an I got her ter go over ter my place, whar mam took keer of her.

"I reckon that hain't no use tellin what went on after that a bit. Anyway, I got Lizzie ter marry me, an sometimes she begun ter act real cheer-

ul like. She were always mighty gentle an quiet an was always doin some thin for me, like she were tryin ter say that she thought a heap o' my standin up fer her. This were 'long 'bout harvest time, an I hadn't been feelin so good as then since Lizzie run away. The women folks didn't neighbor much with her, but mam, she says the women air a pack o' fools, an set a heap o' store by Lizzie.

"One evenin I struck up with Nate Rogers on the road, an he says, says he: 'Say, did ye see that Deering feller ter-day? He were round by your house talkin ter Lizzie,' he says, 'an I seen her cryin.' 'Look here, Nate,' I says, 'ye mean well, I reckon, but ye remember that ye air talkin 'bout my wife now.' 'Oh, well,' says Nate, 'I didn't mean no harm, on'y I thought ye orter know what was goin on,' an with that he took a short cut 'cross the fields, an I kep' on the road.

"It were just sundown, an I were walkin 'long the road, whar hit rounds the hill 'long above the river. I were goin slow, thinkin over what Nate said, an not lookin fer anybody, when all o' a sudden I run against a man. Hit were Deering himself. He jumped a little, but says, cool as anything, 'Good evenin, Joskins,' an made like he were goin ter pass on. I reached out my hand an stopped him.

"'Ye've come down here ter make more trouble whar ye've made too much a'redy,' says I. 'Ye've come down here ter see Lizzie, my wife,' he says, 'but if ye make any more trouble fer her or keep hangin round tryin ter see her, by God, I'll kill ye!'

"It takes a better man than ye ter do that," says he, smilin ugly. 'I was a better man in love than ye, an I reckon I am in some other things. Ye fool,' he says, 'if I wanted Lizzie, do ye think she'd stay with sech a country lout as ye?' She'd leave ye ter-morrer if I said the word.

"Ye air a liar," I says, an he struck at me with a cane he carried—one o' them loaded ones. I ketcht it on my left arm, an then I gripped him. He was strong as me pretty near, but he wasn't fightin fer what I was, an he went down under me heavy. My left arm were under when we went down, an I felt it sort o' give way, but I got a grip on his throat with my right hand, an I choked the life most out'n him. We rolled crosst the road, an I was lookin fer both of us ter go over the side. We knowed hit were him or me, an he were fightin harder fer his life, but I were fightin harder fer Lizzie, an I had the best of it. He done his best ter fight my hand off'n his throat, but hit weren't no use. I had hit gripped. He hit me in the face an tried ter get his hands on my neck, but my arm was the longest. I pushed his head back an back, with him fightin a little weaker all the time an his face gettin dark. Then I felt us both a-slippin, an I managed ter jerk loose an fell back on the road, an he went over the edge. He made one grab, but he on'y ketcht the loose rocks. Then there come a splash an a rattle o' fallin stones, an I knowed he were on the rocks in the river a hundred foot below.

"I laid there awhile, an then I struggled up an went home. The doctor, yander, kin tell ye the rest. He fixed my arm up that night an 'tended Lizzie next day when the little baby come, an her an the baby both died."

The prisoner's hands worked on the arms of the chair. There was a hush in the courtroom, and some one in the crowd sighed heavily. The attorney for the defense arose. "May it please the court," he said, "the defense rests its case." —Henry Holcomb Bennett in Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Early Babylonian Surveys.

In the Zeitschrift Fur Vermessungswesen Professor Hammer directs attention to a Babylonian plan depicted on a clay tablet found in the excavations at Tello and now preserved in the Constantinople museum. The plan was made about 3,000 years before the Christian era and represents an estate belonging to King Dungi. It is of importance not only as a contribution to the early history of surveying, but also as a confirmation of the views on Babylonian measures of length and of area propounded by Reissner at a meeting of the Berlin Academy of Sciences on April 9, 1896.

A copy of the plan has been examined by Eisenlohr, the eminent authority on Egyptian archeology, and he claims to be able to read from the cuneiform inscription the names of the two surveyors engaged. On one side of the tablet there is a dimensioned sketch of the plan of the estate not drawn to scale. The estate is divided by the survey lines into rectangles, right angled triangles and trapeziums. In each case the area is stated, two results obtained by different methods being given. Eisenlohr has plotted the survey, and his calculations of the area agree with the results given on the tablet. On the other side of the tablet the areas of the various portions are added together, two sets of figures being used, and the arithmetical mean taken as the correct area.

The unit adopted, the "gan," is thought to be equal to 4,199 square meters. The absolute measures are, however, of slight importance. More important is the fact that land surveying was carried on 4,000 years B. C., apparently in an accurate manner, and certainly with check measurements.—Nature.

Nansen on Peary.

Dr. Nansen, on his recent return to London, said to a newspaper reporter: "Peary is taking a good route to the pole. He is in the foremost rank of arctic explorers, and I believe he will be successful. I do not think there is any doubt of the possibility of reaching the pole in the way he is going to work, and it will be comparatively easy for a man of his caliber. The story that I intend to accompany him is not true, that report being no doubt, based on the statement that Peary was going in the ship that brought me home."

Base Ball Book.

"The Little Casino" base ball schedule for 1898 is out. This handy and useful little volume is of vest pocket size, printed on fine paper, bound in a leatherette cover, and in addition to the official schedule and rules of the National League, has blank spaces for keeping the scores of each day's games, together with hits, errors, and names of pitchers of each contest. The book also contains the names of the League presidents, managers, captains, and umpires, and a large amount of reliable and useful statistical matter that makes it an invaluable hand-book for every lover of the national game. Price of book ten cents.

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In a recent letter to the manufacturers, Mr. R. B. Russell, editor of the Maxton, N. C., Blade, says: "Your remedy for colds possesses decided merit. I had occasion to use a bottle of it last week, and I have no hesitancy in pronouncing it a first class medicine. You have a good thing in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by A. H. Tillson, Druggist.

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The following are the names of some of the officers and those going to the expedition: Rev. Frank V. Vrooman; Hon. D. I. Murphy, former U. S. Commissioner of Pensions; United States Senators Wilson and Blackburn; Hon. G. D. Meiklejohn, Assistant Secretary of War; Hon. C. Robinson Griggs, former President I. B. & W. Ry; Dr. G. F. Washburne, Surgeon; Judge John S. Goodwin, and John Dean, Chief Engineer St. Louis Park System; Hank Summers, Dawson, Field Manager; Dr. G. F. Washburn, Western Agent; Senator Sanford; L. O. Wilcoxon, Chief Surgeon.

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Grant and Mrs. Newton.

Summer Hill, close to Studley, Va., is a very interesting place, built over 100 years ago, and was the arena of much active warfare about the year 1862. Mrs. Newton resides there, the widow of Captain William B. Newton, a scholarly gentleman and brave commander of cavalry in General Fitz-Hugh Lee's brigade, who was killed at the battle of Culpeper Courthouse. Summer Hill was taken for headquarters by General Grant, and there he held a council of war with General Hancock and General McDowell. General Grant told Mrs. Newton he was expecting an attack, and that a battle would be fought under her very roof-tree and added: "I advise you strongly, madam, to go over into King William county with your little children. I will be glad to furnish you an ambulance and safeguard to cross the lines." She answered: "No, I prefer to stay here. This old home is all I have left, and if its fate is to fall down it will have to fall on my head. I can put the children down in the potato cellar, and, general, if you should get scared when the firing begins you can go down there with them." General Grant laughed heartily and said: "Have your own way, madam. You are brave enough." After the war was over he inquired very particularly of her and expressed the hope that she came out all right.—Boston Transcript.

Father to the Man.

The philanthropist had argued vehemently for altruism as the only right principle of conduct, and we were both pretty cross when I at last declared that egotism was the more natural and cited children as examples. Then he smiled. He has a houseful and his affection for them is so consistent with his professions that he could not help throwing logic to the misanthropes by furnishing this perfect example of the truth of my contention: "The other night," he said, "my baby was sick, so my wife brought him into our bed. He fell asleep very quickly then, but I lay awake for an hour or more. Suddenly I felt the child turn, start and sit up. It was the first time in his life that he had experienced total darkness, for in the nursery the gas is kept dimly lighted all night. I was curious to see what he would do. I felt him throw himself about by quick, sharp jerks, looking first one way, then the other, trying to see something. There was nothing left in existence for the child, of course. The room had vanished, mamma was gone, papa, the earth and the heavens—all had disappeared. But the baby didn't cry. He sat perfectly still for a minute, then he said aloud, as if with complete self satisfaction: "Baby all right."—New York Commercial Advertiser.

Changed His Occupation.

There's a young man newly come to town as a congressman's clerk who began his career as a traveling salesman for a Boston firm. His first trip was into Maine, a state he had never before visited. His employers did not hear from him for so long a time that they began to be worried. Finally a letter came from the young drummer. "I have been somewhat unfortunate on this trip," the letter ran. "The salesman of another house having preceded me, I have been unable to make any sales. As business is so dull I took a sail today from Bangor down the Penobscot, and I must say, gentlemen, the scenery is magnificent." By return mail he received an answer from the house. "Come home," was all it said, and that first trip was his last.—Washington Post.

Her Nose Also.

She was a bride of only three short months, but she had her troubles and naturally made a confidant of her mother. "My dear child," said the mother, "if you would have neither eyes nor ears when your husband comes home late from the club, you might be happier." "Perhaps so," answered the young wife, with an air of weariness, "but what am I to do with my nose?"—Chicago News.

The Tie.

"I hear that Throggins and his wife have separated. What was the trouble?" "He lost his magnificent tenor voice, and she ceased to care for him." "Then it was nothing but a vocal cord that bound them."—Chicago Tribune.

A Duel In the Dark.

Perhaps the most laughable French duel ever fought took place on Nov. 21, 1878, at Plessis-Piquet and was "fought" between two no less personages than Gambetta, who was then practically the dictator of France, and M. de Fourton. Some heated words had passed between the two in the chamber of deputies, for which according to the French idea of honor nothing could atone except a duel. The two men met, therefore, on the field, attended by their seconds and the surgeons. A look over the field was enough to convince any one present that there would be no occasion for the doctors' services. A thick November fog overhung the scene—so thick that one could hardly see his hand before his face. The arrangements for the duel required that it should be fought at 35 paces. Nor was the fog the only thing which tended to put the combatants out of sight of each other. On the way to the field M. de Fourton said: "M. Gambetta has but one eye, and I am shortsighted, so the game will be about even." It was rendered still more "even" by the fog. Neither man could see the other, and the sole danger was to the seconds and the doctors. Almost miraculously the two bullets which were exchanged missed the persons in attendance. Everybody's honor was satisfied, and the whole party went home. "That," said M. Gambetta on the way, "was as near to being a skirmish in the dark as anything I ever saw."—Youth's Companion.

A Bowery Boy In Philadelphia.

One of the guests of the Hotel Lafayette, a young man who was evidently very much bored by something or other, sauntered up to the clerk's desk last evening and asked, "What time is the first train in the morning?" "The first train?" repeated the affable clerk, somewhat staggered at the broadness of the inquiry. "In which direction?" "The first train out," replied the young man impatiently. "But to what point do you wish to go? They run in all directions, you know," suggested the hotel man. "To New York, of course," said the other, and upon receiving the desired information he left orders to be called in time to make the connection. "There's a typical New Yorker of the class who sneer at Philadelphia," remarked a bystander as the clerk reached for a pitcher of ice water. "He thinks that Gotham is the only place in the world with which this city is connected by rail." Reference to the register showed that the youth did hail from the metropolis, and he left word for his mail to be sent to an address on the Bowery.—Philadelphia Record.

An English Boy's Reading.

When you have to play football and go in for house runs and do prep, to say nothing of spending some hours a day in form, you don't get very much time for reading. Besides, it's rather smugish to read much out of school. The thing to do is to read in form, which is quite easy when your form master is shortsighted. Just stick your book in the lid of your desk, under your construe, and you can read away as much as you like. Only it has to be a thin book. The best for this purpose is the "Red Rovers of Mexico," because it is printed on very thin paper and has a paper cover. Besides, it only costs a penny, and even this expense may be diminished by tearing out the pages and passing them round as you read them. Every chap in the upper fourth has read the "Red Rovers of Mexico." It's—well—rather steep, you know. You can't believe all of it, but it really isn't half bad.—Academy.

Fishes In Line.

It is not unusual at the aquarium to see in a tank the fishes all together side by side and heads in a line, like a platoon or section of men. They remain thus for a considerable time. Most fishes are gregarious, they keep together in schools in the water, and here they seem to keep together for company's sake. Sometimes all the fishes in a tank but one will be lined up in this way side by side and headed in one direction, while the single fish will be back of the others and headed the other way. Then the suggestion of soldiers conveyed to the mind by the fishes in line is strengthened. For the single fish seems to be a rear guard, looking out for the enemy in that direction.—New York Sun.

Gave Her Age Away.

They had not met for years. "Do you remember," he asked, "the little sapling we planted together as a boy and girl?" Her eyes softened at the recollection. "Yes," she answered, "I remember it well." "That sapling," he continued dreamily, "must be a strong and sturdy oak now." The softness all died out of her eyes, and the conversation lagged.—Pearson's Weekly.

Tested.

"What is his reputation for truth and veracity?" "Pretty fair. He failed to pass an examination for a position as weather prognosticator."—Chicago Post.

Men.

"More men," remarked the observer of men and things, "would doubtless sell themselves to the devil if the devil could be taken in with green goods."—Detroit Journal.

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O'ly Lm't. 4:50 a.m.	A	N. Ia. Ps. 8:20 p.m.	P
Chic'g Ex. 6:52 a.m.	A	O'ly Lm't. 8:54 p.m.	A
Star' Ps. 7:22 a.m.	C	Star' Ps. 7:14 p.m.	C
God'g Rps. 11:00 a.m.	C	Ced'g Rps. 3:50 p.m.	C
DeM'n's Ps. 3:54 p.m.	C	Col' Spec. 12:24 p.m.	C
Chic. Spl. 6:15 p.m.	A	Car'l. Ps. 10:05 a.m.	C

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Fana Ps. 3:25 a.m.	Dub. Pass. 5:43 a.m.		
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Bl'm'g Ps. 5:03 p.m.	Local Ps. 11:47 p.m.		
Freight. 9:05 a.m.	Freight. 12:50 p.m.		

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WEATHER REPORT.

For the week commencing Apr. 3, '98

	T.M.	2 P.M.	4 P.M.	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Sun.	33	58	41	58	20	—
Mon.	30	38	26	41	26	—
Tues.	24	34	—	—	23	—
Wed.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Thurs.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fri.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sat.	—	—	—	—	—	—

THE WEATHER.

The following is the weather fore-
cast telegraphed us at 9:45 o'clock a. m.
today from the government observatory
at Chicago:

Fair and continued cool tonight and
Wednesday.

Take Notice!

J. W. STEPHENS, Dentist,

desires to call your attention to the new
cast aluminum plates for artificial
teeth, that he is now prepared to make.
They are far superior to swedged alu-
minum plates heretofore made—are
stronger and can be adapted to the
mouth more perfectly, thus securing a
better fit. Please call and examine
samples. All work pertaining to den-
tistry done in the best possible man-
ner at reasonable prices.

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"Hope Deferred," Etc.

"He cometh not," she murmured,
"Oh, fate, how sad a plan!"
Was it a lover she was waiting?
No, for a paper-hanger man.

—Henry Veeth is down from Grand
Detour.

—E. W. Payne was a visitor from
Morrison.

—G. W. Gallimore was in from Na-
chusa yesterday.

—Miss Lora Dwyer of Monroe, Wis.,
is here on a visit.

—Mrs. Edmund Camp went to Chi-
cago this morning.

—There were a few flakes of snow in
the air this afternoon.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bachman are
visitors from the Kingdom.

—James Bennett and son Samuel
were in from the Bend today.

—William McBride is expected home
from New Orleans on Saturday.

—Advertisement changed this even-
ing: The Keyes Furniture Rooms.

—Miss Harriet May, of Clinton, Ill.,
is visiting at the Sherman Newbro
home.

—W. Martin was called to Paris, Onta-
rio, by the serious illness of his
father.

—Deputy U. S. Marshal, Geo. O.
Allen of Chicago was at Hotel Bishop
yesterday.

—Judge James Shaw came down
from Mt. Carroll last evening and is
here today.

—George H. Page is planning more
roadways for Elmsdale west of the
Milk factory.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. Bosley of Chicago
were visitors at the H. Hartzell home
over Sunday.

—James Blackman has received news
of the death of a relative at Logans-
port, Indiana.

—Miss Jones is taking a vacation
from the J. R. Carpenter store on ac-
count of illness.

—Mrs. S. H. Zandt has gone to the
home of her parents at Eureka to visit
over Easter Sunday.

—There is a new patent penny in the
slot bicycle rack at the entrance to W.
F. Weaver & Co's store.

—Miss Lottie Williams received a
telegram informing her of the death of
a relative, Mrs. Roach at Clinton,
Iowa.

—Mrs. Herbert Corning from Mil-
waukee is here visiting her parents,
Mr. and Mrs. John C. Frisby 315 Fifth
street.

—Dr. B. M. Linnell spent Sunday
with his wife at the home of Mr. and
Mrs. A. J. Brubaker and returned to
Chicago this morning.

—Mr. and Mrs. Hartman arrived
this afternoon from Uniontown, Pa., to
see their son George, who yesterday
lost both legs, and who is at the hospi-
tal resting easily.

—Mrs. C. M. Hickey's millinery
opening began today as advertised.
She has a beautiful display and we
hope for her sake, for better weather
the balance of the week.

—The Dixon Business Men's Associ-
ation held their annual meeting for
the election of officers in the city coun-
cil rooms last evening, and elected the
following: J. C. Ayres, president; C.
H. Noble, vice president; E. W. Smith,
secretary; A. C. Warner, correspond-
ing secretary; I. B. Countryman, treas-
urer; with the following board of di-
rectors: R. S. Farrand, O. B. Dodge, M.
Maloney, W. B. Page and E. C. Par-
sons.

—Every month brings fresh evidence
of the inaccuracy of the claim made
during the consideration of the Ding-
ley bill that a protective tariff would
reduce our market abroad. A ship-
ment of 5,000 tons of agricultural ma-
chinery to Russia in a single day, with
announcement of a similar consignment
for a few days later is one of the evi-
dences of the growth, under a protective
tariff, of our export business in man-
ufactures, as well as in farm products,
which have been so strongly marked
during the past year.

—The fact that sugar trust stock sold
at 1.07½ last week as against 1.59½ last
September is a further substantiation
of the statement made just after the
enactment of the Dingley law that the
advance in sugar trust stock coincident
with its enactment was merely tempo-
rary and due solely to the fact that the
trust had 700,000 tons of sugar in stock
upon which it would make a profit
equal to the increase in tariff.

—The election for members of the
Board of Education of the North Side
schools will take place on Saturday,
April 16 (one week from next Saturday).
The terms of J. W. Watts, president,
and of W. B. Page and E. C. Parsons,
members of the board, will expire on
that day, and it seems to be a good
thing to retain the services of these
gentlemen for another term; at least,
we have so far heard many expressions
of that kind and no opposition.

—William Trissell, who is un-
derstood to be very popular in Dixon as a
home-grown actor, is spending a few
days in retirement and meditation in
Sterling. Mr. Trissell's style of acting,
although not exactly calculated to
"draw tears from an onion," is said
never to fail to draw a flattering col-
lection of vegetable offerings from the
audience upon his occasional appear-
ances on the stage in his home town—
Sterling Standard.

Is "our Willie," still insisting on be-
ing a stage manager?

—Two years ago, in January, the
best Ohio wool was selling in the
Cleveland market at 16 and 17 cents a
pound. Today the same wool is quoted
at 25 and 26 cents a pound, the increase
being 9 cents a pound, or almost 53 per
cent. The Dingley law is justifying
the predictions of its framers in nearly
all respects, and during the coming
summer its success as a revenue mea-
sure is likely to be demonstrated in such
a way as to insure suc-
cess for the republican party at the con-
gressional elections next fall.—Cleveland
Leader.

—"For international bimetalism the
Republican party stands pledged. To
secure it all honorable and proper ef-
forts will be put forth; but until it can
be secured, it is manifestly for the in-
terests of our people to preserve, by all
proper means, the present gold stand-
ard. Through it we measure by the
same rule with which our competitors
measure, and by it we contend in the
struggle for commercial supremacy
with weapons evenly matched with
those of our well-armed antagonists."
—From Secretary Gage's Cleveland
speech.

—Willing to overlook it.—Father—
You know that my daughter is a fin-
ished educationist?

Suitor—Yes, sir; I'm not foolish
enough to expect perfection.—Detroit
Free Press.

BUY AND SELL!

AND BUY AGAIN, AND PAY YOUR
BILLS WHEN DUE.But Don't Pass up These Local Ads. or
You'll be Passed By Too.

J. W. KELLY has about a month,
pending work on new stone sidewalks
for the city, which he can give to pri-
vate walks, at reasonable prices. Now
is the best time to lay such walks, be-
fore the grass gets a more rapid growth.
Leave orders or send word to him now.

Darkest America. Thursday.
Darkest America. April
Darkest America. 7th.

MRS. L. M. HICKEY will have her
Easter display of millinery beginning
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remainder of the week. The ladies are
cordially invited to be present. All
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Darkest America. 7th.

A luxury for your table—our macker-
el and other salt fish delicacies. Sold
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Send for price list. DAVID BABSON
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Fabio Romani. April
Fabio Romani. 8th.

For two weeks longer I will make
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en. Veasey, corner First and Madi-
son. 11946

Fabio Romani. Friday,
Fabio Romani. April
Fabio Romani. 8th.

Roses, carnations, and flowers for
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berlain's Pain Balm he was able to be
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mend it to persons suffering from
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ANNOUNCEMENT.

WM. F. GRAY would respectfully an-
nounce to his friends in Lee County
that he will be a candidate for County Treas-
urer at the coming election, subject to the
action of the Republican County Convention.

I HEREBY announce myself a candidate
for the office of Sheriff of Lee County, sub-
ject to the action of the coming Republican
County Convention, and respectfully solicit
the support of the people throughout the
County. THOS. S. CLOUGH. 5*

I HEREBY announce myself a candidate
for the office of Sheriff of Lee County, sub-
ject to the action of the coming Republi-
can County Convention and will appreciate
the support of my friends at the primaries.
CHARLES F. FURLEY. d&w

I HEREBY announce myself as a candi-
date for the office of Sheriff of Lee County,
subject to the action of the Republican
County Convention, and shall be glad of the
assistance of my friends at the primaries.
CHARLES F. FURLEY. d&w

I HEREBY announce that I am a candi-
date for the office of Treasurer of Lee
County, subject to the action of the Republi-
can County Convention. Respectfully, JOHN
M. STERLING, Nelson Township. d&w

MARK D. SMITH, would respectfully an-
nounce to the voters of Lee County that
he will be a candidate for Sheriff at the
coming election, subject to the action of the
Republican County Convention, and will be
thankful for the support of his friends. d&w

I HEREBY announce myself a candidate
for the office of County Clerk for Lee
County, subject to the action of the County
Republican Convention. Respectfully, WALTER
B. MERRIMAN. d&w

I HEREBY announce myself a candidate
for the office of County Clerk of Lee
County, subject to the action of the Republi-
can County Convention. Respectfully,
S. O. BARNETT. d&w

I HEREBY announce myself as a candi-
date for the office of Clerk of the County
Court of Lee County, subject to the action of
the Republican County Convention. JAMES
H. THOMPSON. d&w

I HEREBY announce myself a candidate
for the offices of Clerk of the Circuit Court
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Republican Convention. IRA W. LEWIS. d&w

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